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The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
500 West Temple Street '  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**ACCEPTANCE OF PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTS  
ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS  
3 VOTES**

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:**

Ratify changes in work and accept completed contract work under the following construction contracts:

Project ID No. FMD0003050 - Catch Basin Cleanout 2003/04 Priority A and B Catch Basins, at various locations in Los Angeles County (All), Ron's Maintenance, with a final contract amount of \$68,330.25.

Project ID No. RDC0013298 - Prairie Avenue/Madrona Avenue, Artesia Boulevard to Sepulveda Boulevard, City of Torrance (4), Amelco Electric S.F., Inc., with changes in the amount of \$5,945.17, and a final contract amount of \$425,684.60.

Project ID No. RDC0013365 - Santa Fe Avenue, vicinity of Walnut Park (1), Security Paving Company, with changes amounting to a credit of \$87,924.92, and a final contract amount of \$509,511.94.

Project ID No. RDC0013415 - Ventura Boulevard, et al., vicinity of Calabasas (3), Tyner Paving Company, with changes in the amount of \$9,892.28 and a final contract amount of \$275,297.83 (Partial Acceptance).

Project ID No. RDC0013419 - Avalon Boulevard, et al., vicinity of Compton (2), Security Paving Company, with changes amounting to a credit of \$118,690.91, and a final contract amount of \$1,076,185.04.

Project ID No. RMD1446007 - Parkway Tree Trimming, Road Division 416, 2003-04, vicinity of Hacienda Heights (4), George Salinas Tree Preservation, with changes amounting to a credit of \$902.00, and a final contract amount of \$35,322.00.

Project ID No. RMD1546027 - Parkway Tree Trimming, RD 514 - FY 2003/04, vicinity of Pasadena (5), Orozco Landscape and Tree Co., with changes amounting to a credit of \$1,154.00, and a final contract amount of \$42,237.00.

#### **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

This action is to obtain Board ratification of Director-approved changes in public works contracts and Board acceptance of the work of the contracts in compliance with the provisions of the Public Contract Code. Included in the enclosures are project and contract data, the scope of work of changes to be ratified, and the work of the contracts to be accepted.

The Director of Public Works has been authorized by your Board to order changes in work up to \$10,000 for construction contracts. Changes to accommodate field conditions in order to meet the intent of the plans and specifications are not subject to this monetary limitation. Enclosed for your ratification are changes in work which I ordered for Project ID Nos. RDC0013298, RDC0013365, RDC0013415, RDC0013419, RMD1446007, and RMD1546027.

The projects have been completed, and it is recommended that your Board accept them on the dates indicated in the enclosures.

### **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The acceptance of these construction contracts is consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goal of Service Excellence since acceptance of these completed contracts will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public.

### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

The modifications to the contract amounts range in value from a credit of \$118,690.91 to an increase in the amount of \$9,892.28, while the total values of the contracts range from \$35,322.00 to \$1,076,185.04.

Ratification of the changes in work and acceptance of the work of the respective contracts by your Board is in compliance with the acceptance and prompt payment provisions of the Public Contract Code.

Sufficient funds are available in the Board-approved appropriations for each of the respective projects to cover the costs of the changes and the total value of each of the contracts. Detailed cost breakdowns for each of the changes together with contract cost summaries are included in the enclosures.

### **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

Each of these contracts for the construction of public works improvements was awarded by your Board to the lowest responsible bidder in accordance with the California Public Contract Code, your Board's directives, and as recommended by the Director of Public Works.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

The changes in the work as described above and in the enclosures are within the limits of the Board-approved projects and do not change any conditions which resulted in the original environmental findings.

### **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

Each contract provided that the contractor be compensated for changes in the work as a result of changes to the original plans and specifications or changed conditions encountered during the course of construction. The costs of each of the changes were based on contract unit prices, time and materials methods, or were negotiated under the provisions of the contract specifications. The methods for arriving at the final costs of the changes are included in the enclosures.

### **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

Ratification of the requested changes and acceptance of the work of the contracts by your Board will ensure the timely closeout of the respective contracts, releasing Departmental and County assets for other construction-related activities.

### **CONCLUSION**

Please return one approved copy of this letter to Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES A. NOYES  
Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office  
County Counsel  
Office of Affirmative Action Compliance

ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT  
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PROJECT ID NO. FMD0003050, CATCH BASIN CLEANOUT 2003/04 PRIORITY A  
AND B CATCH BASINS (at various locations in Los Angeles County),  
All Supervisorial Districts

Contractor: Ron's Maintenance, 11542 Horley Avenue, Downey, California 90241

Project Description:

Cleaning of approximately 9,000 catch basins at various locations in Los Angeles County.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on March 31, 2004, in accordance with the plans and specifications.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$36,530.25
Actual costs of changes in work previously approved by the Board	<u>31,800.00</u>
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	<u>\$68,330.25</u>

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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0013298, PRAIRIE AVENUE/MADRONA AVENUE, ARTESIA BOULEVARD TO SEPULVEDA BOULEVARD (City of Torrance),  
Supervisory District 4

Contractor: Amelco Electric S. F., Inc., 2654 Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard,  
Lynwood, California 90262

Project Description:

Synchronization of traffic signals.

Changes in Work:

(1) Variations in Bid Quantities	\$2,963.80
(2) Additional Electrical Work at Prairie and Del Amo Avenue	<u>2,981.37</u>
Total	<u>\$5,945.17</u>

Description of Changes:

(1) The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The increase in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities.

(2) In order to satisfactorily complete the contract work, it was necessary to install a new electrical service at the intersection of Prairie Avenue and Del Amo Boulevard. This work was not included in the original contract.

The costs for Item 1 were based on contract unit prices. The cost for Item 2 was based on time and materials methods as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications.

No additional working days were required because of these changes.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on October 27, 2003, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$389,886.00
Actual costs of changes in work previously approved by the Board	29,853.43
Changes in work authorized by Director of Public Works	<u>5,945.17</u>
 FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	 <u>\$425,684.60</u>

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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0013365, SANTA FE AVENUE (in the vicinity of Walnut Park),  
Supervisory District 1

Contractor: Security Paving Company, P.O. Box 1489, Sun Valley, California 91353

Project Description:

Roadway resurfacing; reconstruction of curb, gutter, sidewalk, driveways, and an alley intersection; tree removal and planting; and modification of traffic signals.

Changes in Work:

(1) Variations in Bid Quantities	(\$89,924.05)
(2) Exploratory Excavations	1,500.00
(3) Steel Plating	322.22
(4) Waterline	<u>176.91</u>
Total	(\$ <u>87,924.92</u> )

Description Of Changes:

(1) The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities.

(2) It was necessary to perform exploratory excavations at the intersection of Florence and Santa Fe Avenues to determine the exact location of underground utilities.

(3) The contractor provided steel plates to provide access to a car wash during construction. This was necessary to prevent newly cleaned vehicles from driving over dirt and base material.

(4) The contractor was required to lower a waterline connection in order to complete the proposed sidewalk reconstruction.

The costs for Item 1 were based on contract unit prices. The cost for Item 2 was stipulated in the contract specifications. The costs for Items 3 and 4 were based on time and materials methods as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications.



Four additional working days were required because of these changes.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on January 23, 2004, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$468,724.40
Actual costs of changes in work previously approved by the Board	128,712.46
Changes in work authorized by the Director of Public Works	<u>(87,924.92)</u>
 FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	 <u>\$509,511.94</u>

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT (PARTIAL)  
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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0013415, VENTURA BOULEVARD, ET AL. (in the vicinity of Calabasas), Supervisorial District 3

Contractor: Tyner Paving Company, 2005 San Fernando Road, Los Angeles, California 90065

Project Description:

Roadway reconstruction and resurfacing; reconstruction of curb, gutter, and sidewalk; and construction of curb ramps.

Changes in Work:

(1) Variations in Bid Quantities	(\$ 4,837.04)
(2) Reimbursement for Price Increases	<u>14,729.32</u>
Total	<u>\$ 9,892.28</u>

Description of Changes:

(1) The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities.

(2) Following award of the contract, the Las Virgenes Municipal Water District requested permission to install a new water main in the project limits. As a result, work was stopped from March 2002 until September 2003 while the water main was constructed. It was necessary to compensate the contractor for the increased costs in material, labor, and rental prices associated with this delay.

The costs for Item 1 were based on contract unit prices. The cost for Item 2 was based on time and materials methods as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications.

No additional working days were required because of these changes.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on February 6, 2004, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

In addition, the contractor has not yet complied with the Affirmative Action reporting requirements of the contract. To assure compliance of this requirement, \$5,600 is being withheld from the value of the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$252,496.42
Actual costs of changes in work previously approved by your Board	18,509.13
Changes in work authorized by Director of Public Works	9,892.28
Withholding for Affirmative Action Noncompliance	<u>(5,600.00)</u>
 FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	 <u>\$275,297.83</u>

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT  
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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0013419, AVALON BOULEVARD, ET AL.  
(in the vicinity of Compton), Supervisorial District 2

Contractor: Security Paving Company, Inc., P.O. Box 1489, Sun Valley,  
California 91353-1489

Project Description:

Roadway resurfacing; reconstruction of curb, gutter, and sidewalk; construction of curb ramps; striping and pavement markings; modification of traffic signals; and removal, trimming, and planting of parkway trees.

Changes in Work:

(1) Variations in Bid Quantities	(\$121,154.35)
(2) Credit for Overtime Inspection	(630.00)
(3) Relocate Street Light Conduit	<u>3,093.44</u>
Total	(\$ <u>118,690.91</u> )

Description of Changes:

(1) The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities.

(2) The contractor requested 12 hours of overtime inspection, which resulted in a credit to the contract in the amount shown.

(3) Due to a conflict with the proposed catch basin installation at the southwest corner of El Segundo Boulevard and Mona Avenue, it was necessary to relocate an existing street light conduit.

The costs for Item 1 were based on contract unit prices. The cost for Item 2 was stipulated in the contract specifications. The cost for Item 3 was based on time and materials methods as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on February 27, 2004, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$1,124,466.40
Actual costs of changes in work previously approved by the Board	70,409.55
Changes in work authorized by Director of Public Works	<u>(118,690.91)</u>
 FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	 <u>\$1,076,185.04</u>

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PROJECT ID NO. RMD1446007 PARKWAY TREE TRIMMING, ROAD DIVISION 416, 2003-04 (in the vicinity of Hacienda Heights), Supervisorial District 4

Contractor: George Salinas Tree Preservation, P.O. Box 84, Placentia, California 92871

Project Description:

Trimming of parkway trees.

Changes in Work:

Variations in Bid Quantities (\$902.00)

Description of Changes:

The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities. The costs for these changes were based on contract unit prices.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on March 4, 2004, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

The contractor finished the work two days after the required contract completion date. The project specifications provide for the assessment of liquidated damages of \$500 for each calendar day in excess of the contract completion date; therefore, we assessed liquidated damages in the amount of \$1,000. The contractor does not dispute this assessment.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$37,224.00
Changes in work authorized by Director of Public Works	(902.00)
Deduction for liquidated damages	<u>(1,000.00)</u>
 FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	 <u>\$35,322.00</u>

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT  
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PROJECT ID NO. RMD1546027, PARKWAY TREE TRIMMING, RD 514 - FY 2003/04  
(in the vicinity of Pasadena), Supervisorial District 5

Contractor: Orozco Landscape and Tree Co., 11194 Pipeline Avenue, Pomona,  
California 91766

Project Description:

Trimming of parkway trees.

Changes in Work:

Variations in Bid Quantities (\$1,154.00)

Description of Changes:

The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities. The costs for these changes were based on contract unit prices.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on March 29, 2004, in accordance with the plans and specifications.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$43,391.00
Changes in work authorized by Director of Public Works	<u>(1,154.00)</u>
 FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	 <u>\$42,237.00</u>

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